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&c., &c.	&c., &c.

THE AVENUE AT NINTH STREET

EDDIE MAHAN WILL TRY FOR HONORS ON TRACK

Boston, Dec. 29.—Eddie Mahan, of Harvard, is going to try to make his letter in track next spring. He has won letters in football and baseball and now he is ambitious to add the third.

It will not be anything new for Mahan to compete in track events, for when he was at Andover he did excellent work as a sprinter and it is recalled how he ran a 100-yard race and played baseball against Exeter the same day.

Mahan was once caught in ten seconds when he was at Andover.

To Discuss Rules.
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 29.—According to a letter received from a member of the local amateur baseball commission, the officials of the Richmond body will meet early next month to discuss the rules adopted by the local organization.

Richmond, it is said, is anxious to play an intercity series with Baltimore teams. Julian H. Hill is president of the Richmond association.

LOUIS ZEREGA WILL MEET LEO PARDELLO

Louis Zeraga, the local heavy-weight champion, and Leo Pardello, the Italian heavy-weight champion, have signed articles to meet in a finish match at the Bijou Theater on Friday night. This match will be conducted on the catch-as-catch-can style of grappling, and with Pat O'Connor, the veteran referee of this city, as the third man on one of the best bouts ever staged in the Capital is expected.

Both men posted a forfeit of \$100 with referee O'Connor yesterday and everything is now in readiness for the engagement. In meeting Pardello, Zeraga is grappling one of the best heavy-weights in the Capital. It is expected that one of the largest crowds which has ever attended a grappling match in this city will be on hand.

TED LEWIS SLATED TO FIGHT BRENNAN

New York, Dec. 29.—"Ted" Lewis, the welter-weight sensation, will pull up stakes tomorrow afternoon and hike for Buffalo where he will tackle Knockout Brennan in a ten-round bout on New Year's Day.

Lewis spent today resting up and nursing a sore ankle. He is the possessor of a peculiar par of feet, something on the Charley Chaplin order. In the tenth round of his fight with Ritchie, Lewis was ducking a few of the Ritchie haymakers when his feet got tangled up with Referee McPartland's toolies.

James Johnston, Lewis' manager, said today he heard that Packey McFarland declared he wanted to fight Lewis and added that he could beat Lewis easily. It must be at 142 pounds ring-side.

Johnston also added that Lewis will make 125 pounds single for Freddie Welsh if the light-weight champion wants any of his play. And as for Willie Ritchie, he can get a return battle if he cares. Lewis still has \$1,000 posted to fight anybody for the welter-weight title.

Bar American Jockeys.
Berlin, via London, Dec. 29.—The employment of American jockeys on Hungarian race horses has virtually been stopped through a resolution proposed by the Hungarian Jockey Club, which excludes foreign jockeys from all races the stakes of which are below 20,000 crown. The resolution is worded so as to affect "foreigners," but Americans are almost the only foreigners riding on Hungarian tracks.

Meredith Entered.
New York, Dec. 29.—The Melrose A. C. has arranged a splendid list of special events in addition to the gigantic program of the opens at the annual indoor carnival which will be held in Madison Square Gardens January 25. In the 70-yard sprint, Howard P. Drew, Joe Loomis and Roy Morse will meet. The 60-yard sprint will show among other good ones Joe Higgins, Dave Caldwell and Ted Meredith of Penn. In the 11-2-mile special, Mike Devaney, the two-mile indoor champion, will hook up against Sid Leslie, Gordon and possibly Jole Ray, of Chicago.

Love for His Alma Mater Causes Tom Shevlin's Death

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 29.—Thomas L. Shevlin, millionaire lumberman and Yale football coach, died at 7 a. m. today of pneumonia. He was stricken with the malady six days ago, after being weakened by overwork and exposure in drilling the Yale team this fall.

At the close of the Yale season Mr. Shevlin went to California to recuperate. He returned to his home here last Wednesday. On Thursday pneumonia developed. Last night four physicians of the Yale medical corps came to his bedside and summoned a specialist from Chicago, who made the trip here on a special train in record-breaking time.

Shevlin ranked as one of the greatest players the gridiron game ever produced, and his love for his alma mater was so intense that he really gave up his life to serve it in its hour of need.

Shevlin captained the 1907 Yale team, and then, after graduation, went into the lumber business in the West. In 1910, when the Yale team was short of players, a call was sent to "Old Reliable Tom" and he answered it by rushing to New Haven, whipping the team into shape and enabling it to beat Princeton and the Harvard.

This season when the Yale team was floundering in the mire of defeat Shevlin once again was called upon to serve his alma mater. He answered that call. He worked day and night in his attempts to develop the material into championship caliber. He surprised the football world when his rejuvenated outfit beat Princeton.

JIM SULLIVAN, ENGLISH BOXER, SHOULDERS GUN

London, Dec. 29.—One of the boxer heroes of Great Britain just now is Jim Sullivan, the former middle-weight champion of England, who is now a private with the Third London Scottish Regiment. Jim made his ring debut nine years ago when he was stopped in the first round by a fellow named Hickman, in a bout at Monte Carlo.

Probably no other "ruiser" who ever attained a title had such tough luck in his early days in the game. Of his first seven contests he won only one of them, and for a time he was a laughing stock.

The fighting Sullivan spirit kept him going, and in 1909 the tide turned, and he soon fought his way to the top of the British middle-weight ladder. Jim was a hero in London when he fought Billy Papke there in 1911, but the German-American battler was too much for him and forced him for the count in the ninth round.

Sullivan continued to claim the middle-weight championship of Europe until 1912, when he fought George Carpentier at Monte Carlo, and was knocked out in the second round.

REPORTED LEGORE IS REINSTATED

Frederick, Md., Dec. 29.—Harry Legore, the Yale baseball and football star who was suspended because he played summer ball last season, in violation of one of the varsity rules, has been reinstated, according to reports here this morning. Legore now will be eligible for the baseball squad. Throughout the football season he was forced to remain on the bench and his only value to Yale was the practice he gave the first team when he played for the ineligibles.

WINNER ANXIOUS TO BUY CLEVELAND CLUB

Pittsburgh, Dec. 29.—Edward W. Gwinn, president of the late Pittsburgh Federal League club, is not sure that he is out of baseball altogether, from what he said yesterday.

Gwinn admitted that Col. Ruppert, of the New York Americans, had asked for his price on Konechey, Allen and Kretzer, but his reply to the New Yorker was that he had sent for Manager Oakes, who would be here Monday, when they would take up the matter of either selling the players or holding them in the hope that a half interest or full control of the Cleveland club would be bought. In the latter case the two teams would be amalgamated to strengthen the American League team at Cleveland.

It appears as if he is still dickering for a franchise in the American League.

Big Bout January 18.
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 29.—Young Ahearn, of Brooklyn, and Mike Gibbons, of St. Paul, will meet for their postponed 10-round bout Tuesday night, January 18, according to announcement made here yesterday. Gibbons, who was ill with pneumonia, resumed training yesterday.

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